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PREVIOUSLY IN *KING SPAWN*

Terry's attempt to destroy the GODTHRONE succeeds, but at what cost? SPAWN is still determined to teach the Court of Priests a lesson they will never forget.



A man with a beard and a grey jacket lies on his back amidst a chaotic scene of destroyed buildings and debris. Blood is visible on his face and the ground. The background is dark and filled with smoke and falling rubble.

HE SHOULD  
BE DEAD.

TERRY HAD SEEN WHAT THE  
HELLISH THRONE DID TO AL  
AND HE KNEW THAT EVEN  
IF IT KILLED HIM, HE HAD  
TO TRY TO DESTROY IT.

A close-up of a man's face, showing a grimace and blood splatters. He has a beard and is looking slightly to the side. The background is dark and blurry.

THE C4 HE PACKED HAD  
ENOUGH CHARGE TO TAKE  
OUT THE ENTIRE FLOOR.

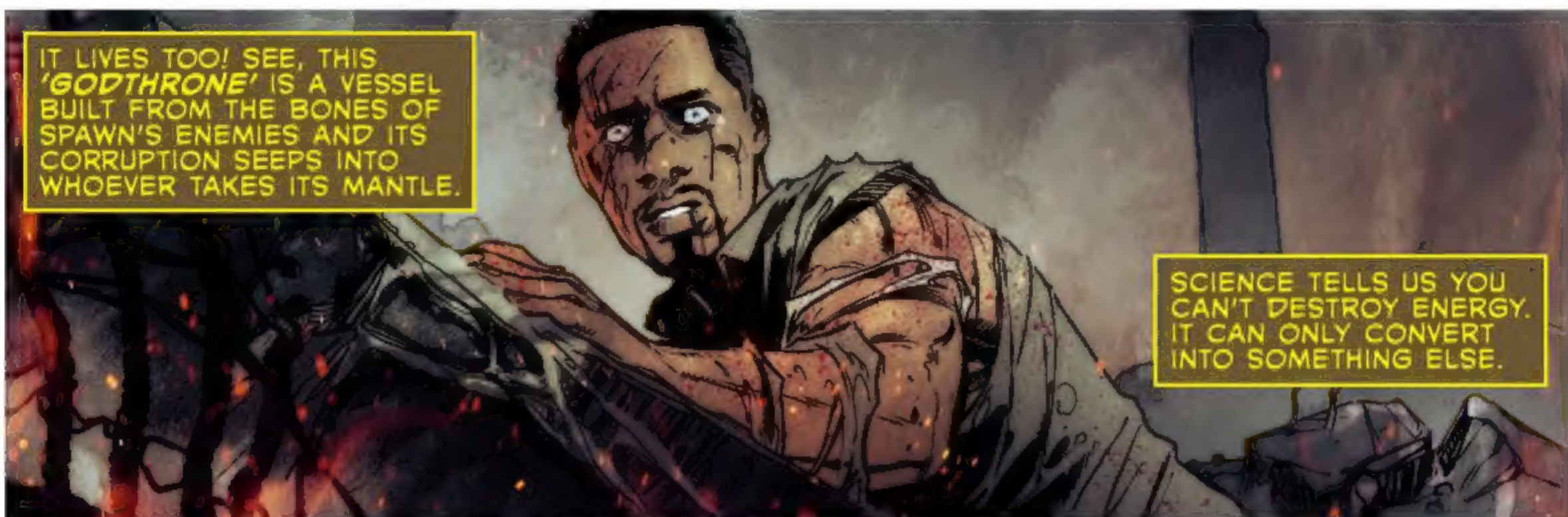
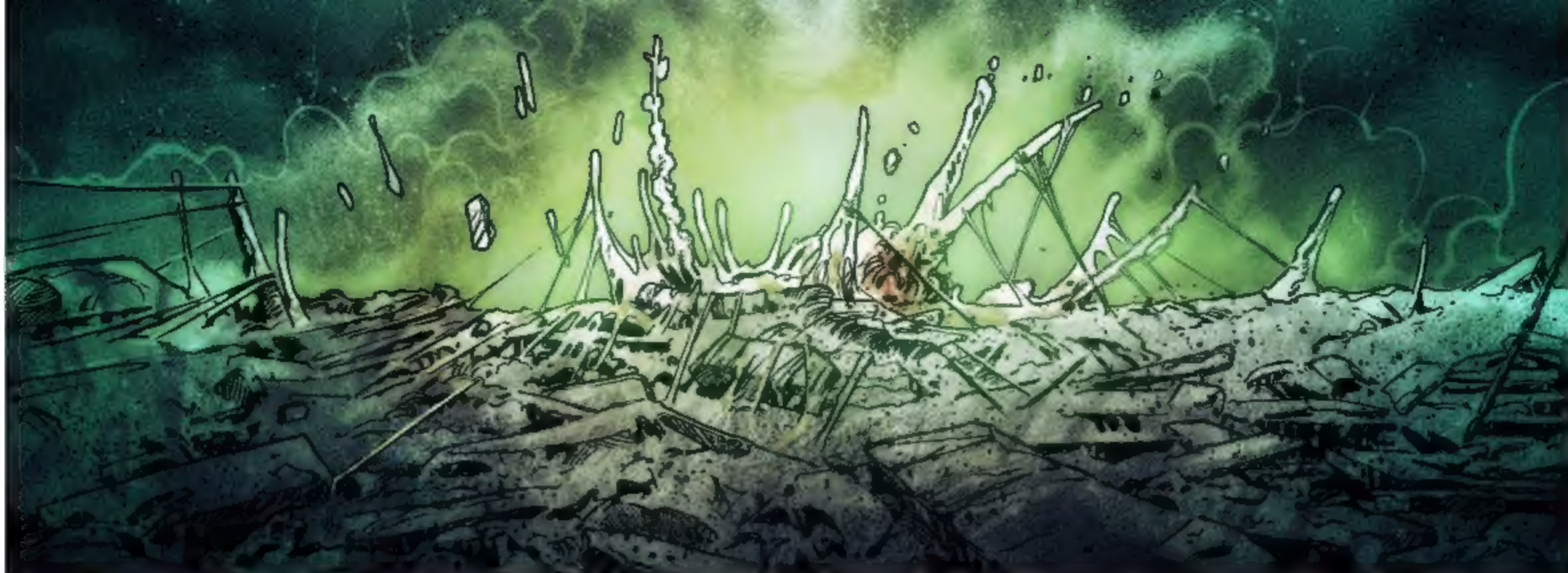
YET, HE  
STILL LIVES.

BUT WHAT  
ABOUT HIS  
TARGET?

A close-up of a single eye, looking directly forward. The eye is white with a black pupil. The surrounding skin is dark and has some blood splatters.

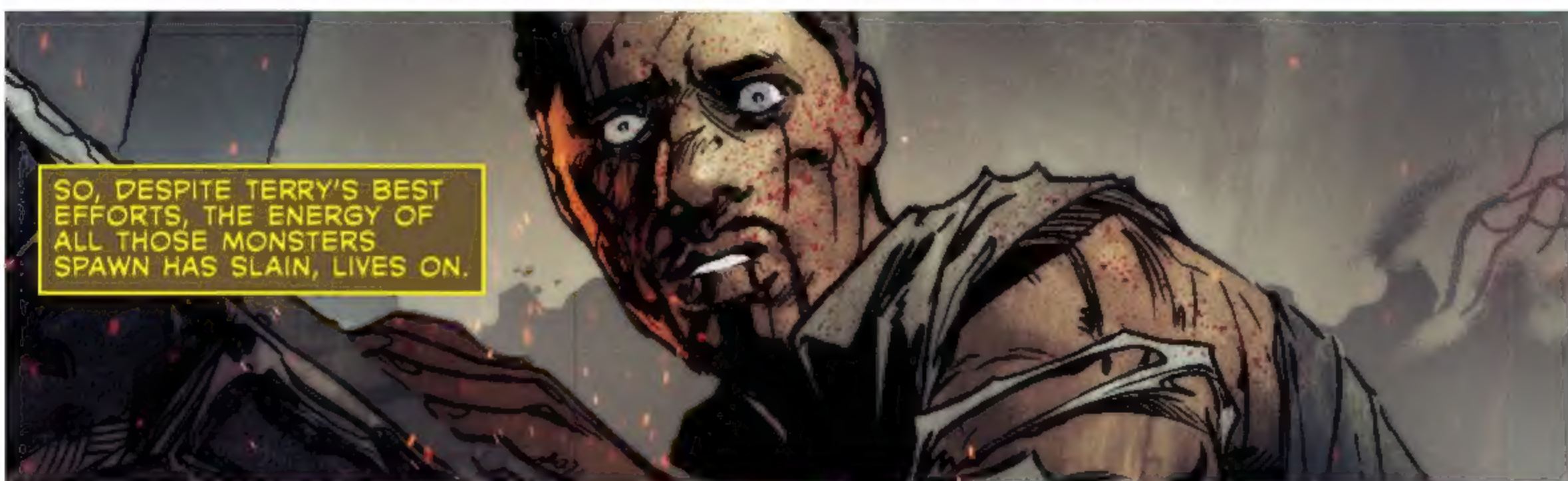
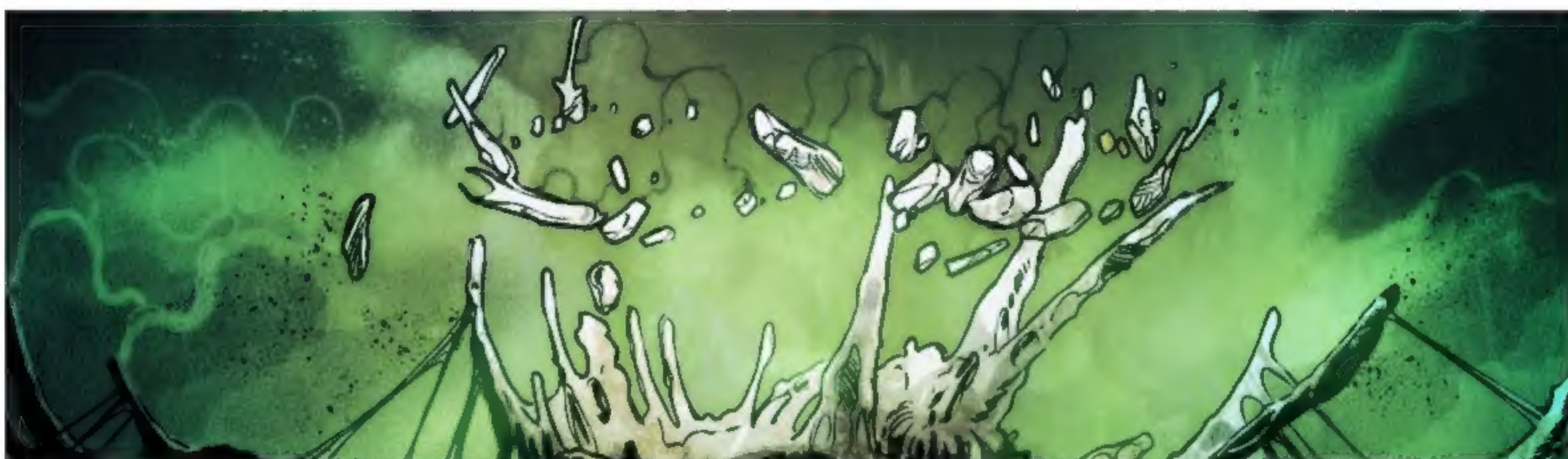
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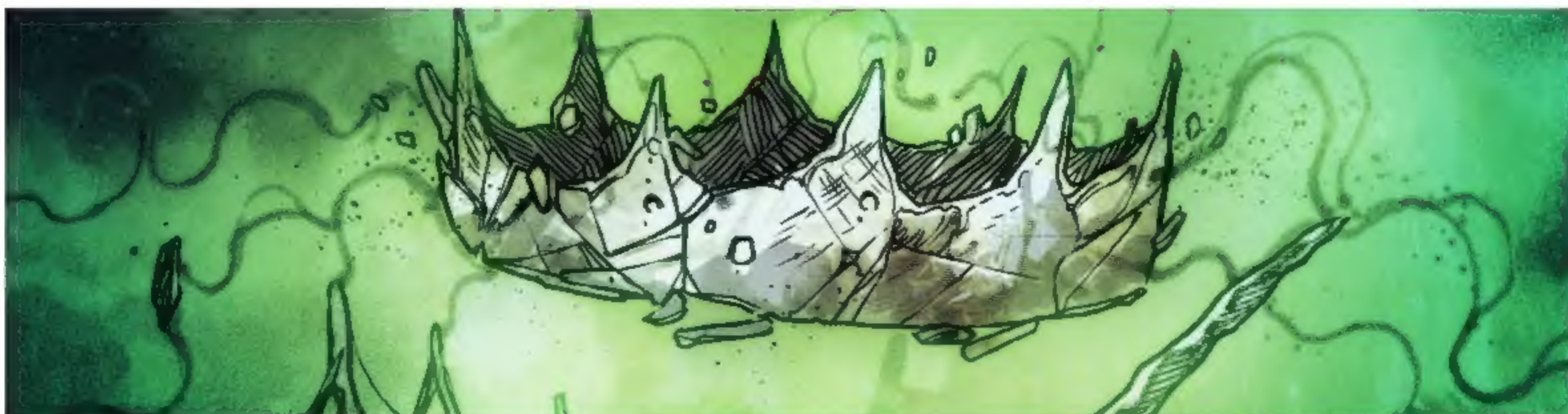


IT LIVES TOO! SEE, THIS 'GODTHRONE' IS A VESSEL BUILT FROM THE BONES OF SPAWN'S ENEMIES AND ITS CORRUPTION SEEPS INTO WHOEVER TAKES ITS MANTLE.

SCIENCE TELLS US YOU CAN'T DESTROY ENERGY. IT CAN ONLY CONVERT INTO SOMETHING ELSE.



SO, DESPITE TERRY'S BEST EFFORTS, THE ENERGY OF ALL THOSE MONSTERS SPAWN HAS SLAIN, LIVES ON.



WAITING FOR ITS KING.



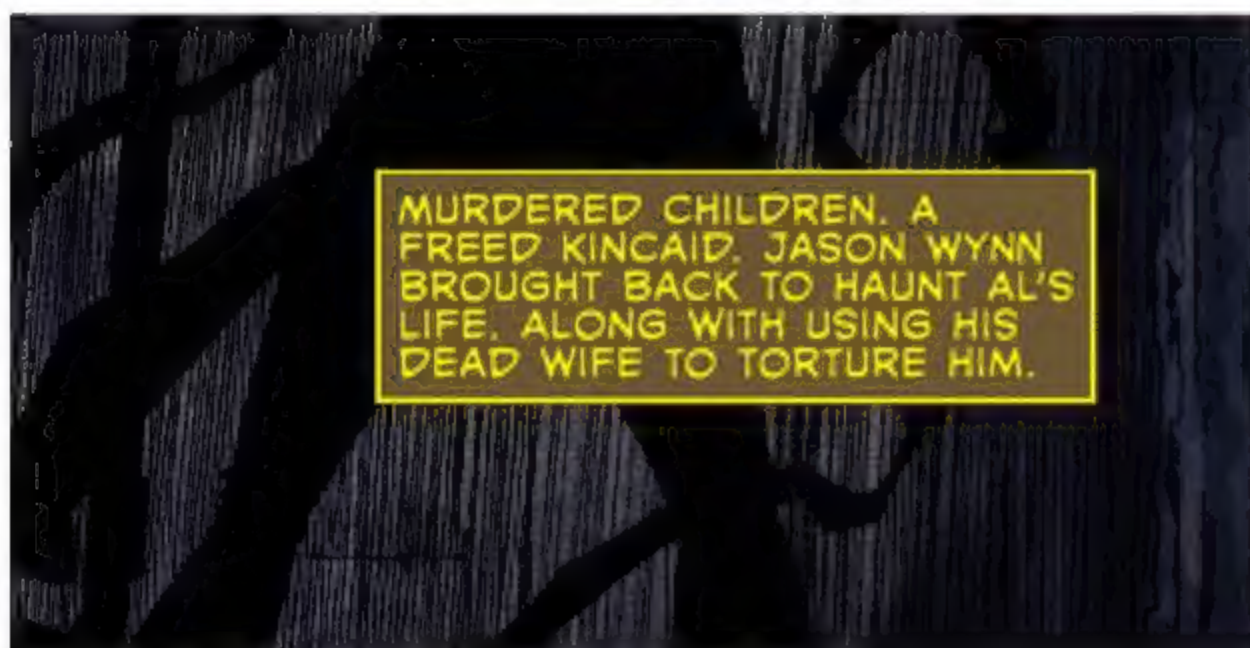


EVERYONE'S BEEN COMING FOR SPAWN - - FOR A VERY LONG TIME.



GET ON YOUR FEET AND FIGHT, DAMN YOU!

AZRAEL THOUGHT, SOMEHOW, HIS OUTCOME WOULD BE DIFFERENT.



MURDERED CHILDREN. A FREED KINCAID. JASON WYNN BROUGHT BACK TO HAUNT AL'S LIFE. ALONG WITH USING HIS DEAD WIFE TO TORTURE HIM.



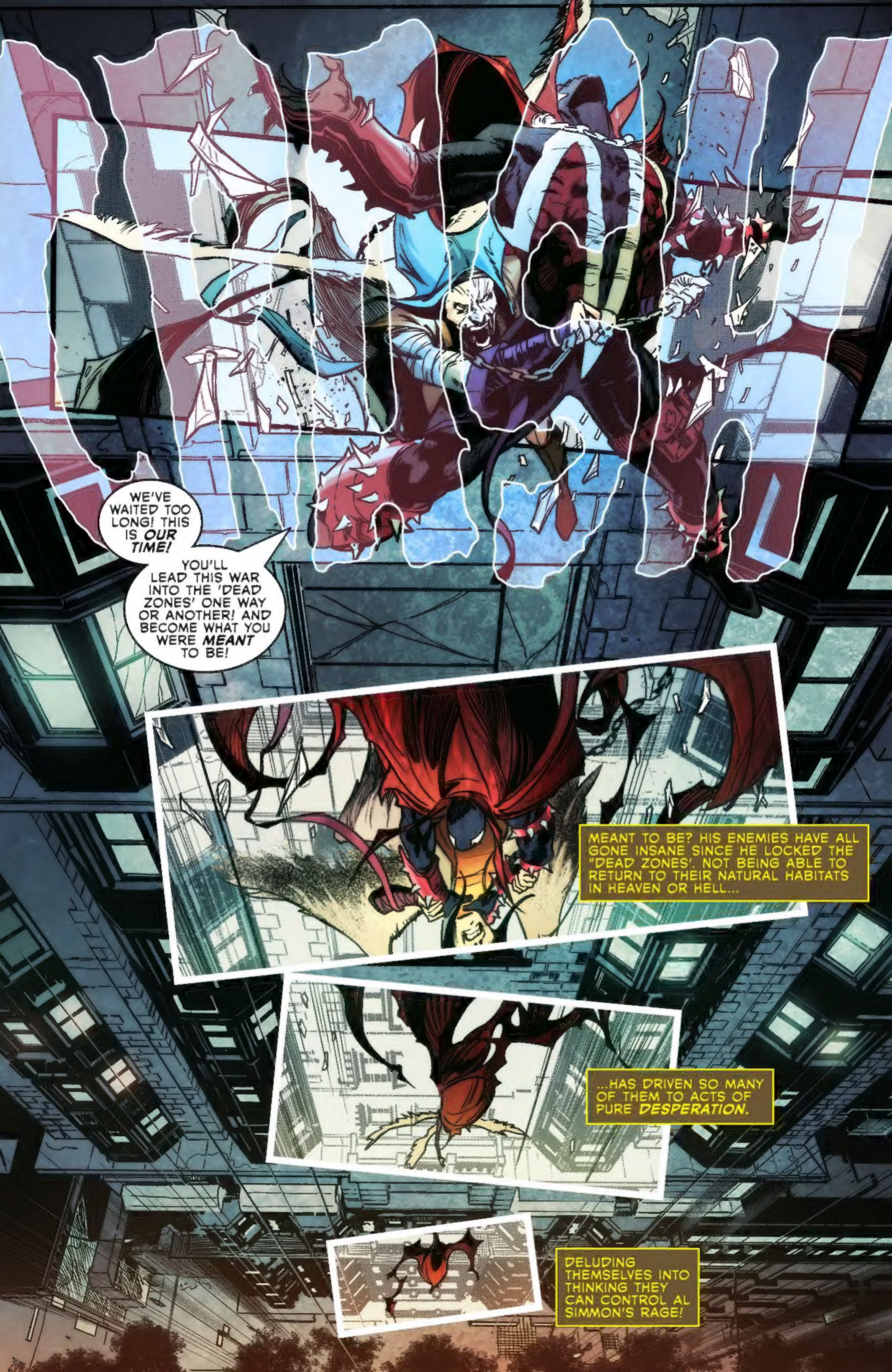
THAT COMBO IS WHAT'S FUELING SPAWN'S RAGE!

I'M GOING TO DESTROY YOUR THRONE.



'GODSEND' WON'T ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN.



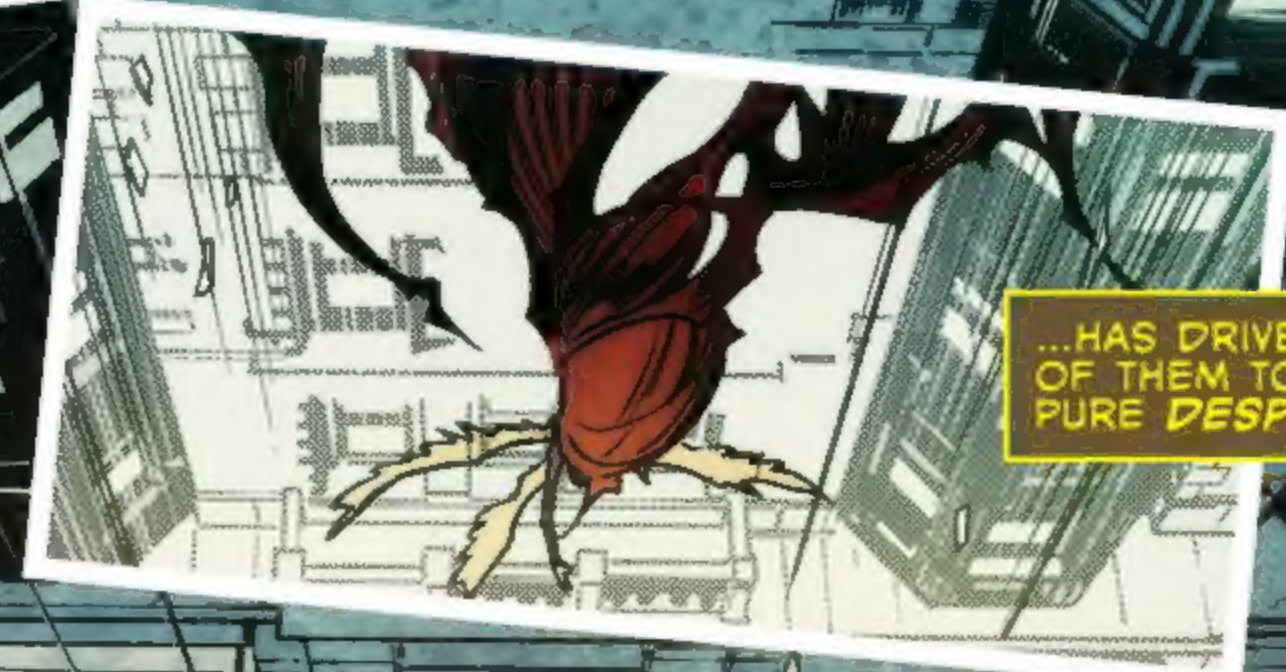


WE'VE  
WAITED TOO  
LONG! THIS  
IS **OUR**  
**TIME!**

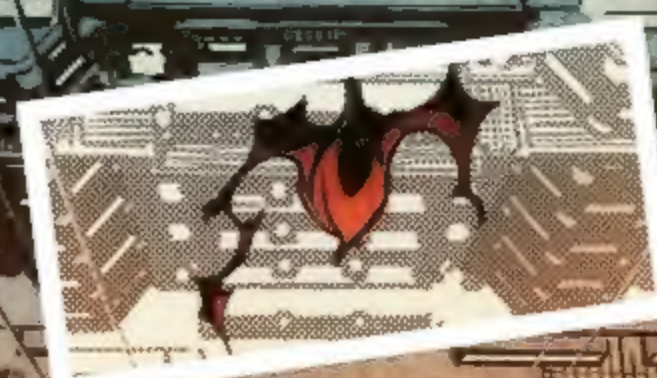
YOU'LL  
LEAD THIS WAR  
INTO THE 'DEAD  
ZONES' ONE WAY  
OR ANOTHER! AND  
BECOME WHAT YOU  
WERE **MEANT**  
TO BE!



MEANT TO BE? HIS ENEMIES HAVE ALL  
GONE INSANE SINCE HE LOCKED THE  
"DEAD ZONES". NOT BEING ABLE TO  
RETURN TO THEIR NATURAL HABITATS  
IN HEAVEN OR HELL...



...HAS DRIVEN SO MANY  
OF THEM TO ACTS OF  
PURE **DESPERATION.**



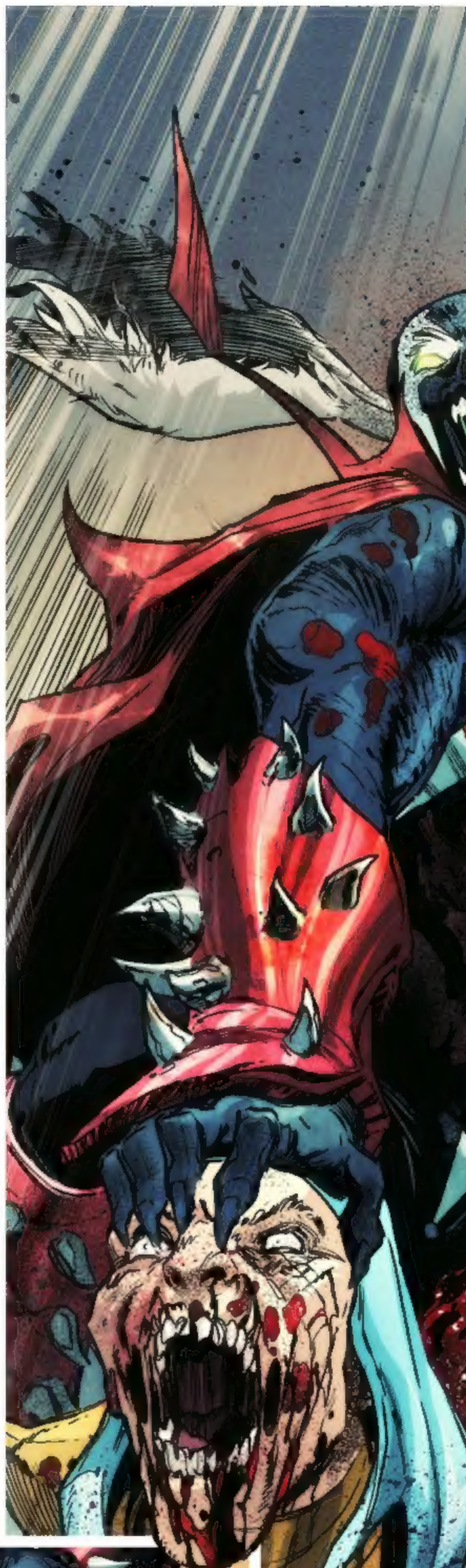
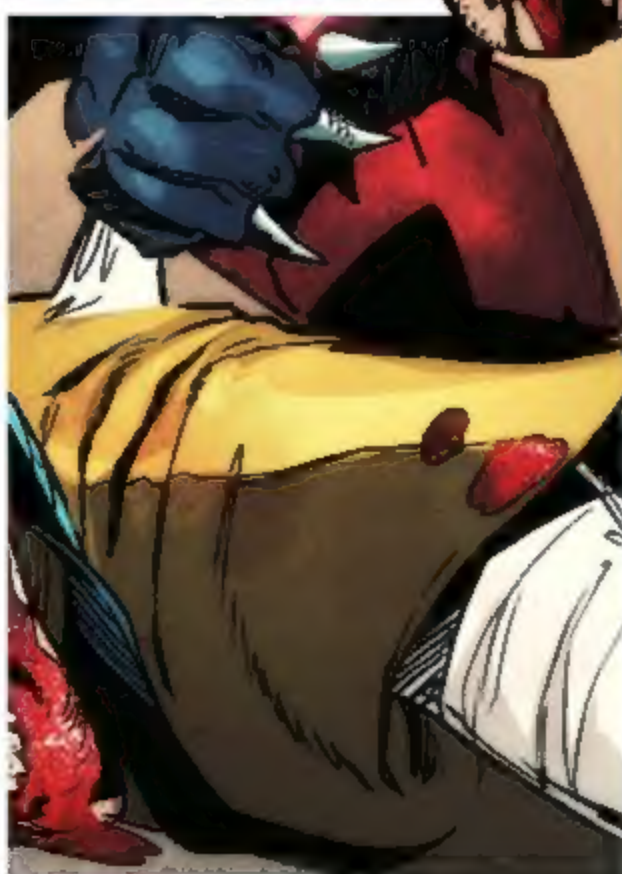
DELUDING  
THEMSELVES INTO  
THINKING THEY  
CAN CONTROL AL  
SIMMON'S RAGE!



RAGE FOR A LIFE STOLEN.  
RAGE FOR THOSE WHO  
BETRAYED HIM. RAGE FOR  
UNEARTHLY BEASTS AND  
THEIR COWARDICE FOR  
PREYING ON THE INNOCENT.



KRSHH



TELL YOUR  
GOD I'M COMING  
FOR HIM...  
AND HIS DAMN  
KINGDOM!

AS HE SAVAGELY  
RIPS ONE OF THE  
ANGEL'S WINGS  
FROM ITS SPINE, HE  
REMEMBERS HE'S  
BATTLING MORE OF  
THESE OUTCASTS.





ZAB IS NOW AT AZRAEL'S SIDE. ANOTHER RECRUIT WHO BELIEVES IN THEIR MADNESS!

"AND SPAWN SAT UPON A ONE-WINGED ANGEL. HIS CLOTHES DIPPED IN BLOOD, AND HIS NAME WAS THE WORD OF GOD. A NAME BY WHICH THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN WOULD FOLLOW HIM."

"FROM HIS MOUTH WOULD COME A SHARP SWORD WITH WHICH TO STRIKE DOWN THE NATIONS. AND RULE THEM WITH A ROD OF IRON."

AZRAEL'S WORDS COME FROM THE *BOOK OF REVELATION*. A BASTARDIZATION OF THAT PASSAGE BUT AZRAEL STILL BELIEVES IN EVERY SYLLABLE HE SPEAKS. FOR THESE ARE THE *END TIMES* TO HIM.

FOR A WORLD ABOUT TO GO EXTINCT.





DESTROY  
THE THRONE IF  
YOU WANT, SPAWN,  
BUT NOT UNTIL  
YOU'RE UPON IT.  
THIS WORLD ISN'T  
WORTHY OF  
YOU!



YOUR  
**TRUE**  
SERVANTS  
AWAIT YOU ON  
THE OTHER  
SIDE!



IT'S TIME  
TO JOIN HEAVEN,  
EARTH AND HELL  
**TOGETHER**, WITH US  
AT YOUR SIDE TO  
HELP GUIDE  
YOU!

TO WHAT  
END?

SO, YOU  
CAN RULE IT  
ALL?!



NO!  
YOU WILL RULE  
WITH US.

TAKE HIM  
TO A DEAD ZONE.  
SHOW HIM WHAT'S  
AT STAKE.



I CAN'T.  
HE BROKE  
MY HAND  
AND...



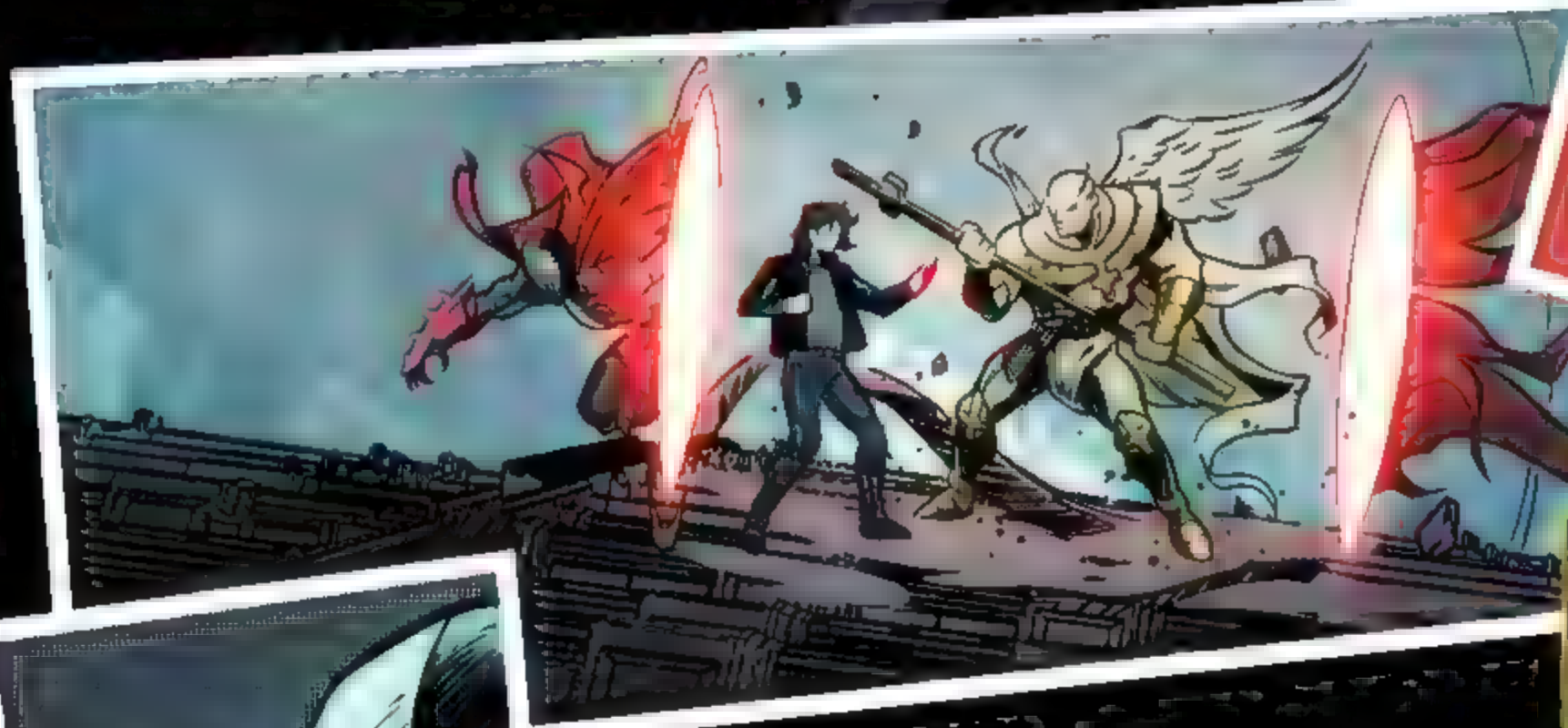




JUST DO IT!



SNAP



WITH HIS INJURY, ZAB'S NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO SEND SPAWN TO A DEAD ZONE. THE BEST HE CAN DO IS OPEN A PORTAL ON EARTH.



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ZAB! WHAT IS THIS? YOUR MAGIC'S DOING NOTHING!

I'LL HANDLE THIS THEN!

THAK



THOOM

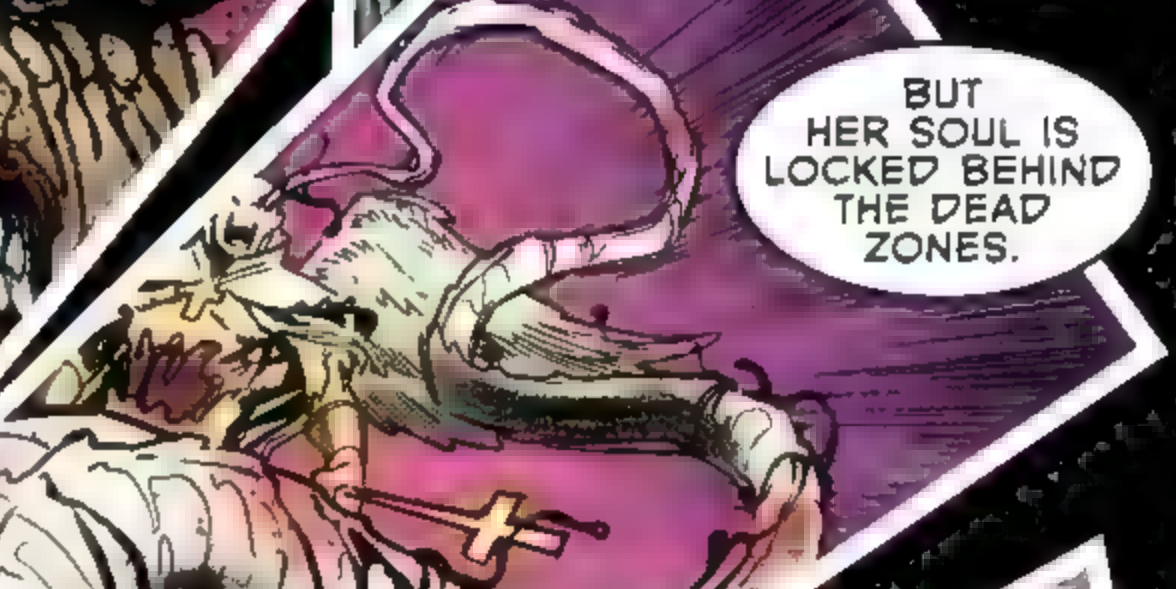




TELL ME.  
WHY WON'T YOU SAVE YOUR WIFE?



HER BODY AWAITS YOU IN THE 'GREEN'.



BUT HER SOUL IS LOCKED BEHIND THE DEAD ZONES.



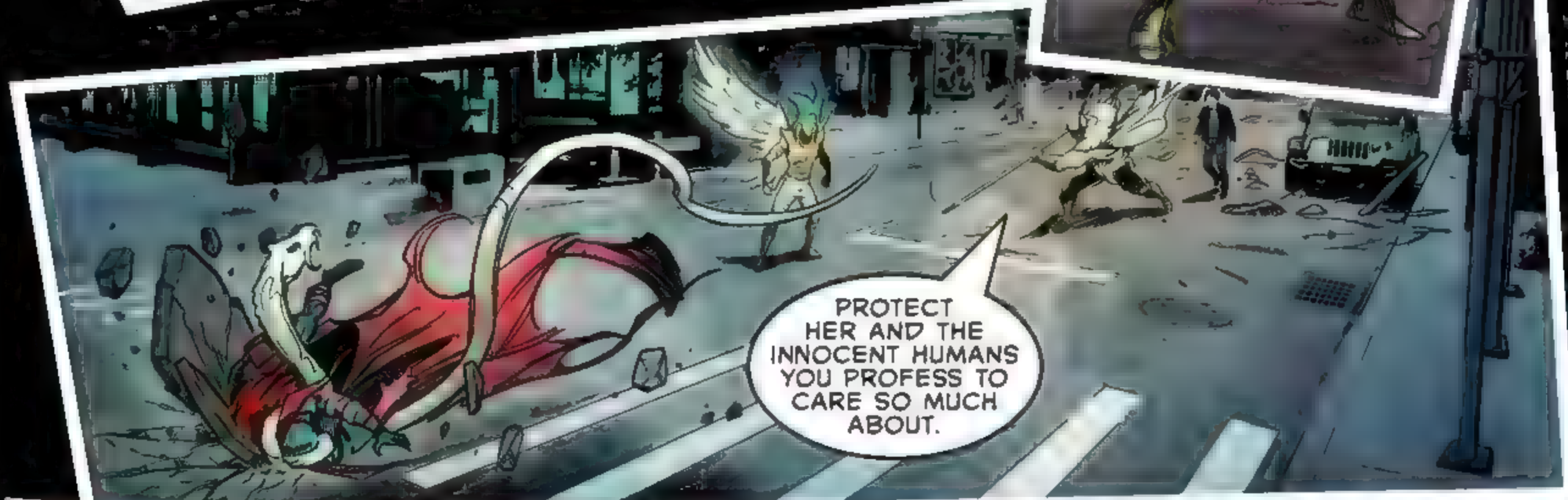
UNLOCK IT -- AND BRING YOUR LOVER BACK TO LIFE!

**NO!**



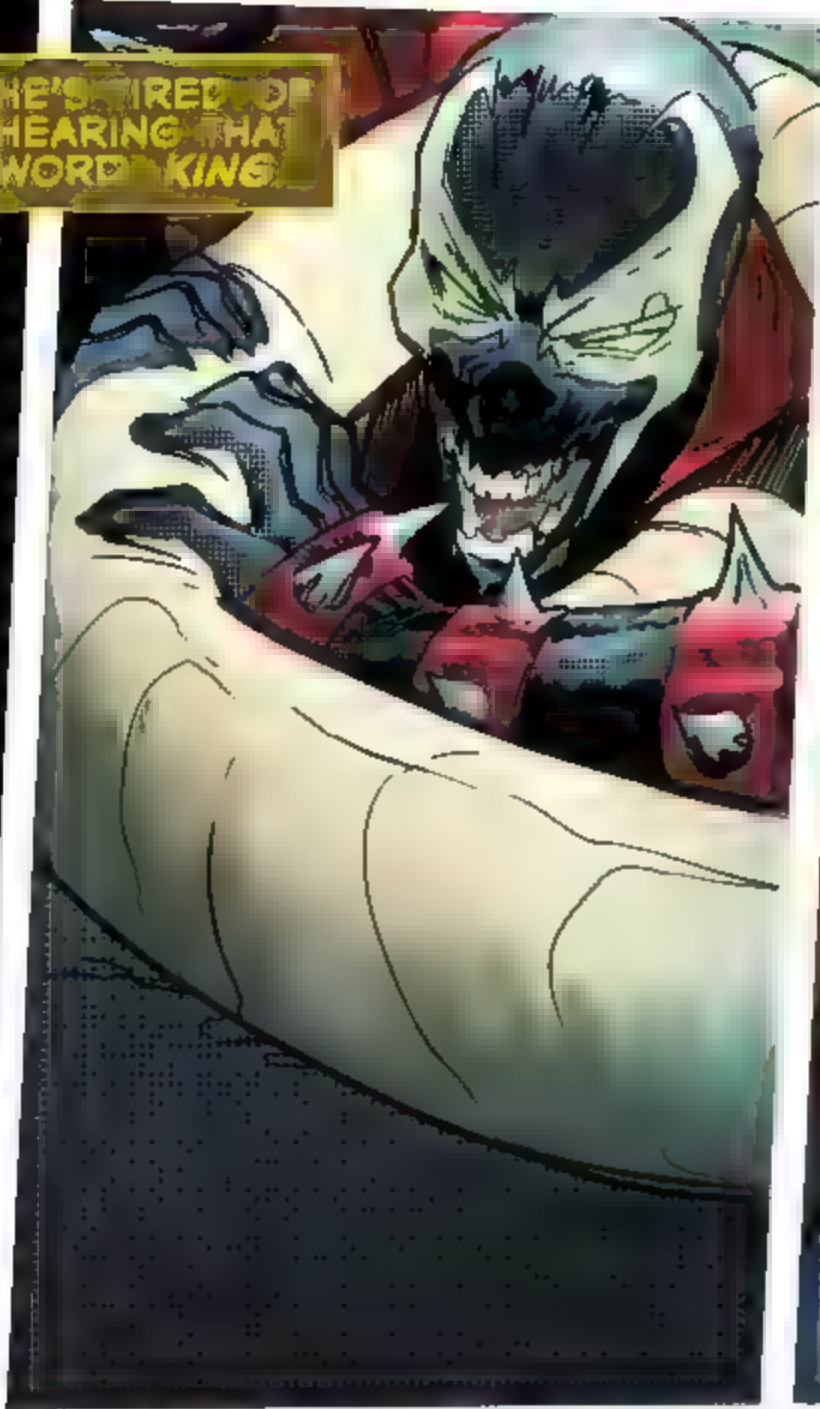
AL WANTS TO BELIEVE IT'S A DAMN LIE!







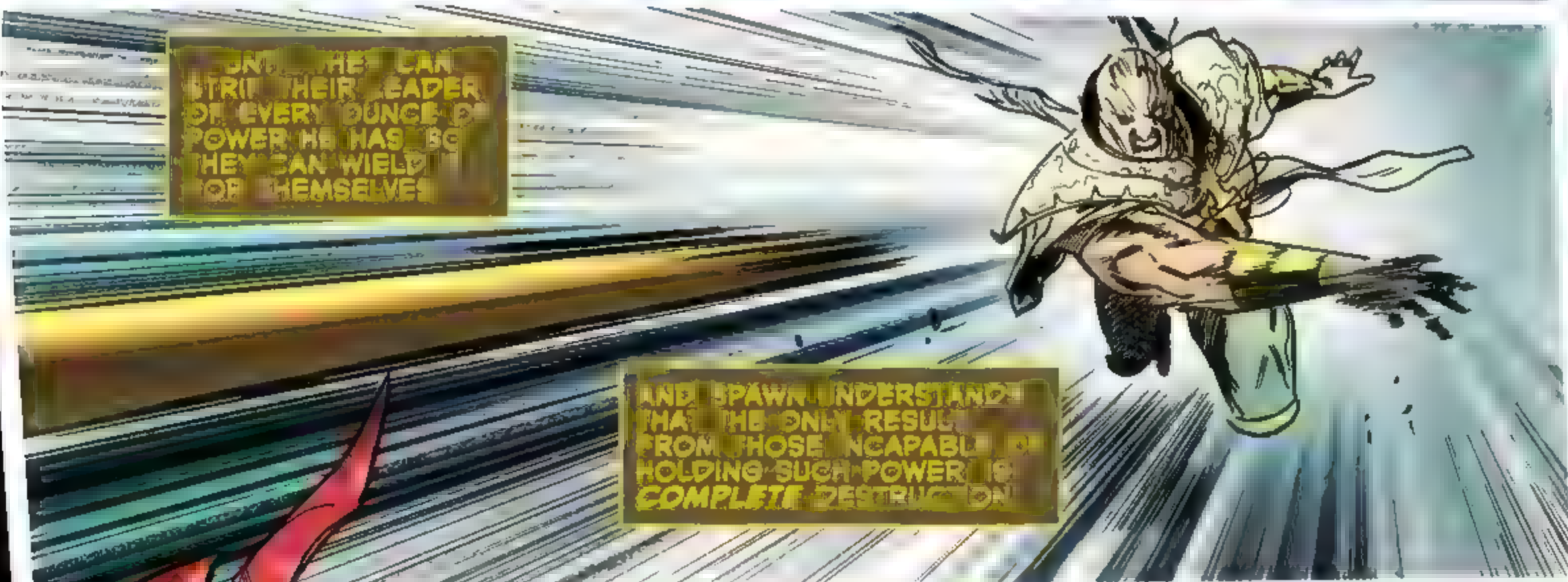
HE'S TIRED OF  
HEARING THAT  
WORD KING



THEY DON'T WANT SOMEONE  
TO LEAD THEM. THEY NEED  
SOMEONE TO USE SOME  
ONE TO MANIPULATE



UNTIL THEY CAN  
STRIP THEIR LEADER  
OF EVERY DUNCE OF  
POWER HE HAS, SO  
THEY CAN WIELD  
IT FOR THEMSELVES



AND SPAWN UNDERSTANDS  
THAT THE ONLY RESULT  
FROM THOSE INCAPABLE OF  
HOLDING SUCH POWER IS  
COMPLETE DESTRUCTION

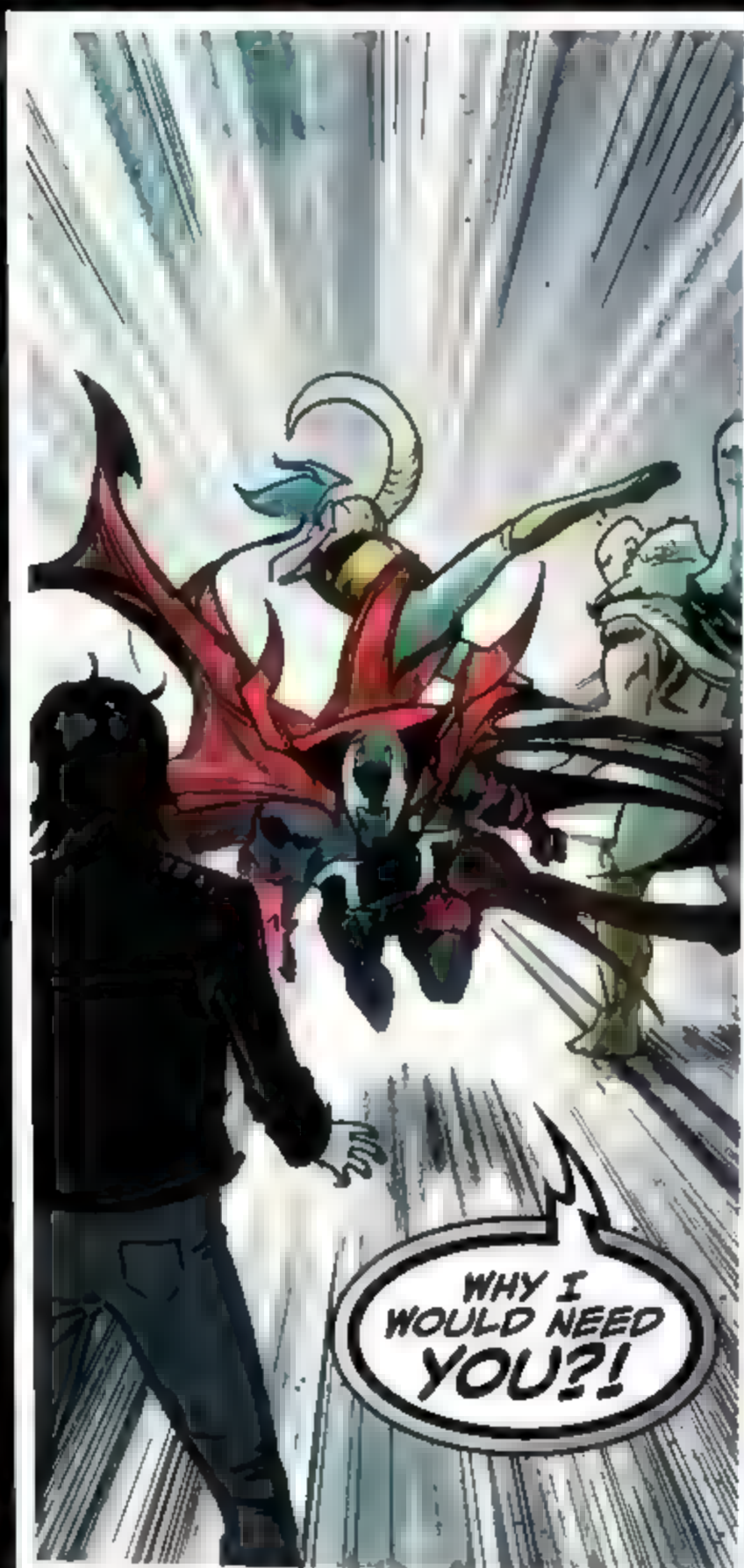
THAK



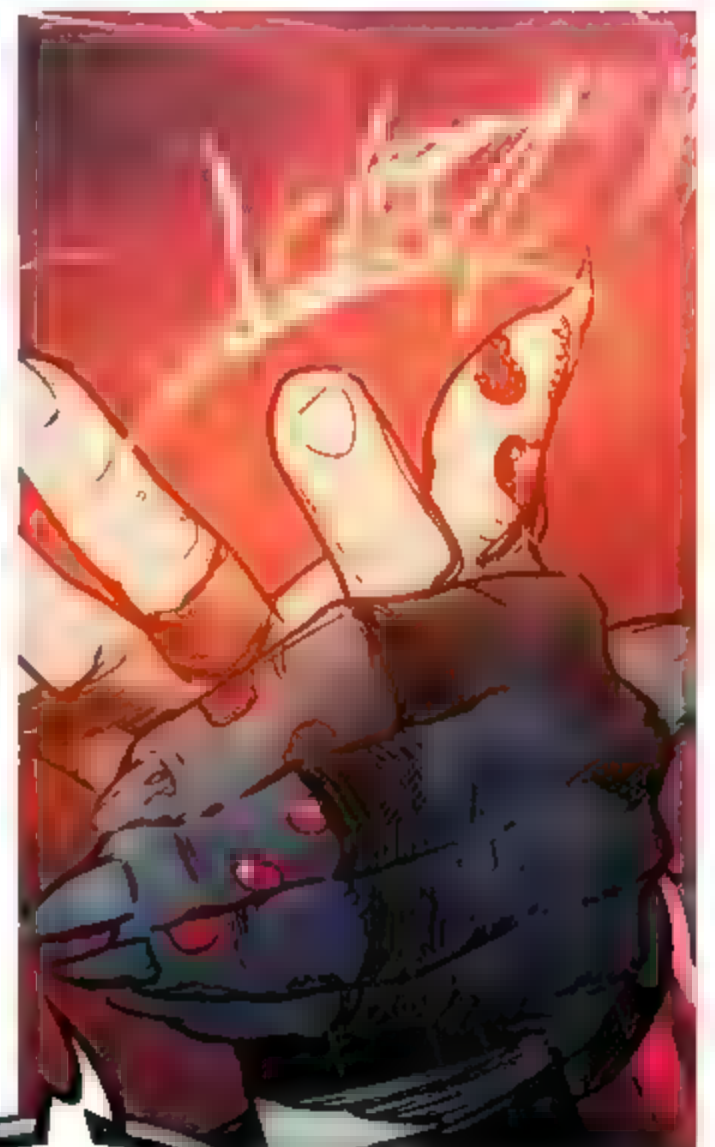
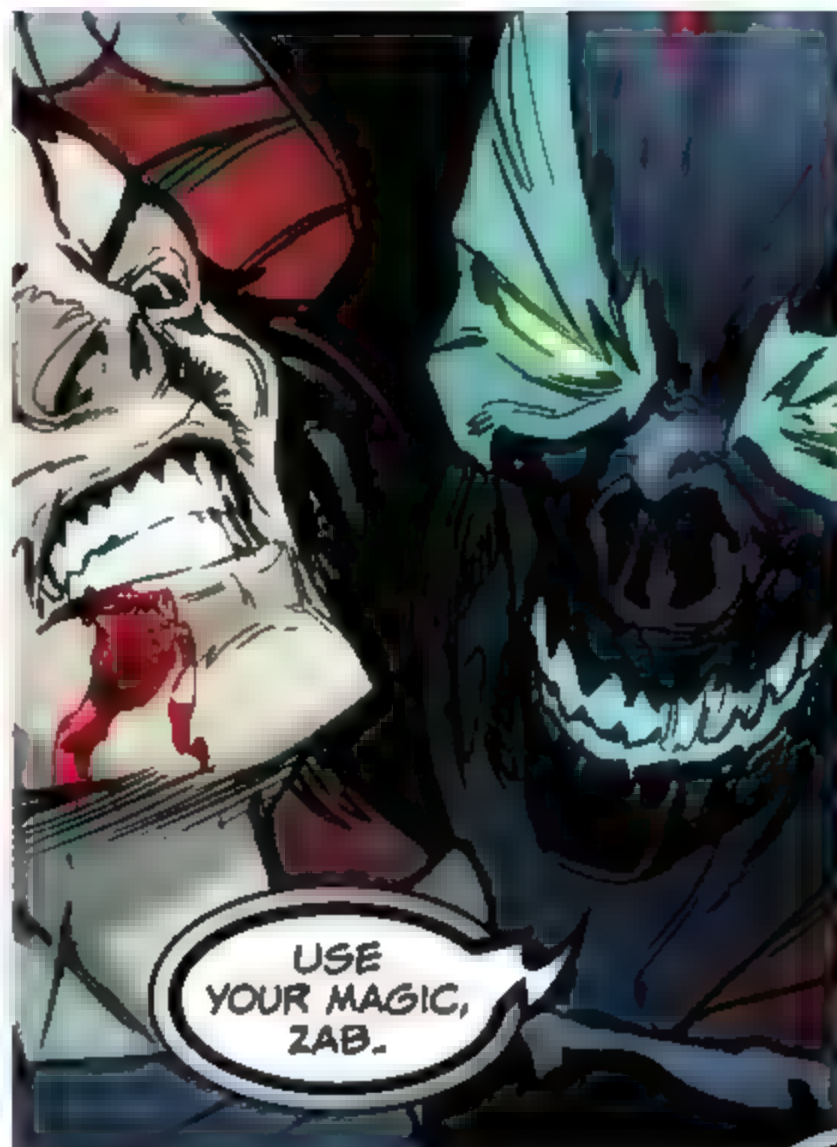
A TOTAL  
SCORCHED  
EARTH FOR  
EVERYTHING  
THAT IS ALIVE











FOR A BRIEF MOMENT, SPAWN LINKS HIS NEGRO POWER TO ZAB'S MAGIC, CREATING THE BRIGHTEST GLIMMER THAT SUCKS AZRAEL THROUGH.



HE'S BEEN RETURNED HOME  
RETURNED TO THE SAME HEAVEN  
THAT CAST HIM OUT TO BEGIN WITH

AND HE'S KNOWN  
TO ALL OF THEM  
JUST ONE NAME

TRAITOR!

OUTCAST!

TRAITOR!

TRAITOR!

HEAVEN FORGIVENESS  
AND LIGHT IS SERVITUDE AND  
SUBMISSION AND AN ANGEL WITH  
ONE WING WHO ABANDONS HER  
BLOOD FOR ONE NAME

BLACK AZRAEL IS THE  
PRODIGAL SON AND  
UNLIKE THE STORIES IN  
THE BIBLE HIS FATHER  
WILL NOT ACCEPT HIM  
WITHOUT ARMS



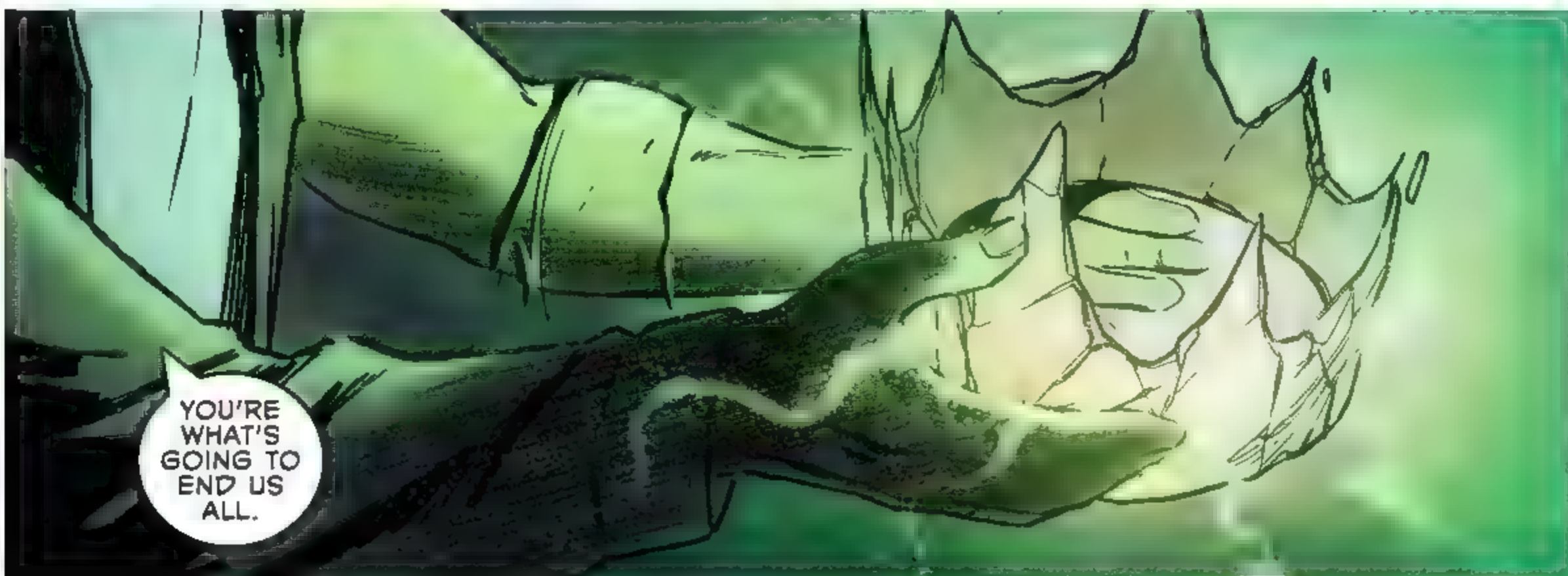


BACK IN THE EXODUS  
FOUNDATION BUILDING  
TERRY STARES AT  
WHAT HE BELIEVES  
DAMNATION ITSELF



I'VE SEEN  
YOU IN MY  
DREAMS.

IF HE CAN  
HELP, BUT BE  
DRAWN IN IT



YOU'RE  
WHAT'S  
GOING TO  
END US  
ALL.





YOU'RE  
BRAVE  
TERRY.



COMING ALL  
THIS WAY, TO FACE  
MONSTERS YOU COULD  
NEVER DEFEAT, SO YOU  
COULD TRY TO DESTROY  
THEIR MOST PRIZED  
POSSESSION.



YOU'RE  
MERELY  
HUMAN,  
WHY SO  
DRIVEN?



I HAD  
A DREAM,  
AND LIKE YOU,  
I'M TRYING TO  
SURVIVE THIS  
WAR...



... AND THE  
CATASTROPHE THAT  
GOES WITH IT.

BECAUSE IN HIS DREAMS  
HE SAW NUMBERS THAT  
COALESCED: 137 BECAME  
11, AND THEN 11 BECAME 2.

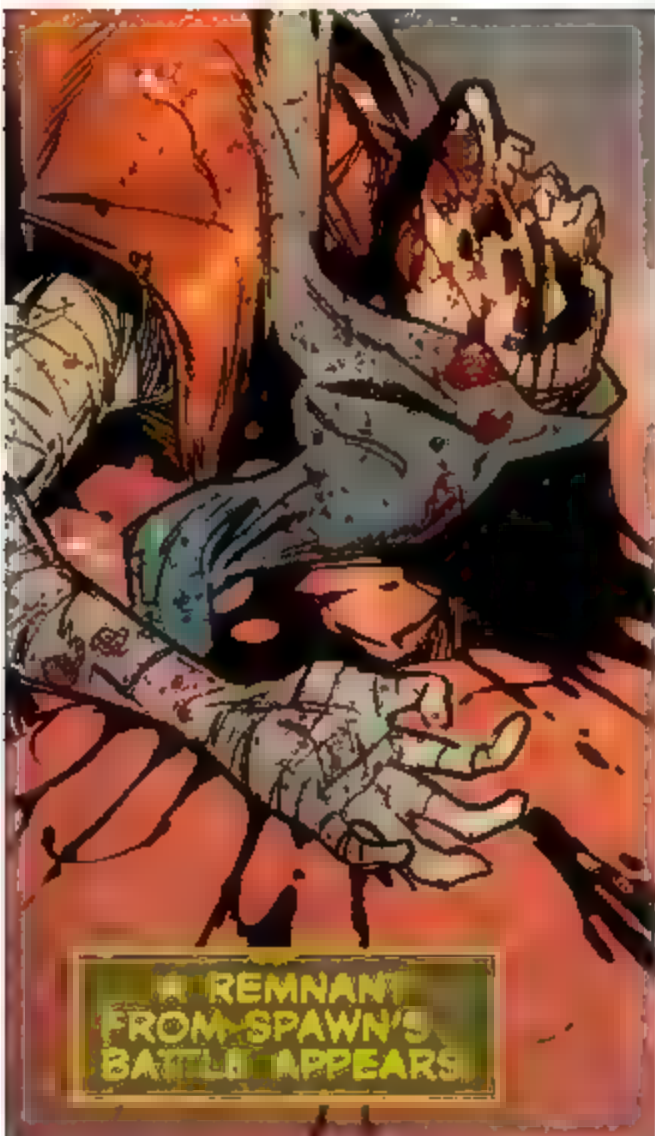
AND WHEN HE SAW A VISION OF IT, IT  
WAS THE MEANING OF THE NUMBER  
THAT CHILLED HIS BLOOD. HE AND  
HIS NEW BRIDE WANDA, HIS WIFE  
REBORN IN A FRIGHTENING VISAGE.

THEY WERE THE RULERS! BUT  
THEY WERE CRUEL, WILLING  
TO KILL EVERYONE IF THEY  
HAD TO, EVEN IF IT MEANT...

KILLING WANDA'S  
OWN CHILDREN, CYAN,  
KATE, AND JAKE.











YOU'LL MEET  
THE SAME FATE  
IF YOU DON'T GIVE  
ME THE DAMN  
CROWN.

SIMMONS THE MAN KNOWS WHAT THE CROWN CAN DO BECAUSE AS POWERFUL AS SPAWN IS, HE WASN'T LIVING WHEN HE SPOKE TO TERRY FROM THE THRONE WHEN HE SAID YOU MAY HAVE TO STOP ME IF THIS ALL BECOMES TOO MUCH

HE KNOWS HE CAN BRING HER BACK AND AS MUCH AS HE TRIED TO DENY IT AL HAS GIVEN IN TO THE THOUGHT OF BEING REUNITED WITH HER

AND HE'LL LEAD AN ARMY WITHOUT THEM KNOWING HOW TO FIND HER

ALL HAIL  
THE KING







# SPAWNING GROUND

## PRESENTS:

## MAILBAG



Now, I am a sucker for cool homage covers. I love them, and this might be one of the coolest ones I have seen lately! Dick Tracy/Dark Detective Spawn! A match made in Heaven... I mean HELL! [Art by @gibbertron2000 on Instagram]

-Thomas

**Hello!**

**I am recently getting back into Spawn after picking up Spawn #300 a while back and recently just went and picked up all the issues in between 301 and 329! I also picked up all the King Spawn issues, scorched and gunslinger, which I have been picking up along the way in recent months. I'm reading King Spawn, and I love it.**

**I also just recently bought the trades Dark Horror, Enemy of the State, and Vengeance so I can know what happened leading up to 300 and have the full picture, but my question is, I really want to start reading Scorched. Do I need to read all of the prior material to know what's going on?**

**-ANDREW**

Andrew, thanks for reaching out and reading SPAWN! Since you have Spawn: Vengeance, which includes issues 296 & 297, you are in a good place. Those two issues give a great overview of the story so far. If you have a basic understanding of the characters so far, you should be able to jump into Scorched pretty easily.

-Thomas

**Hello Spawning Ground,  
I am loving what I am reading in the Spawn books and especially King Spawn. This past year has proven to be an "extraordinary spawnnaissance." Mr. Lewis has added immense gravitas to the mythos and Mr. Fernandez's artwork is atmospheric and inspiring. I do sincerely hope for a what if tale of Spawn upon his throne. A miniseries perhaps? Would Spawn make a better God? Please keep up the great work!**

**-JEFF**

Jeff, I agree that Sean and Javi have brought something really special to the Spawn Universe. But why a "What If?" Maybe Spawn should just take the throne!

-Thomas



Do you have a question or comment about Spawn? If so, e-mail it to us at:  
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**NEED MORE SPAWN'S ?**  
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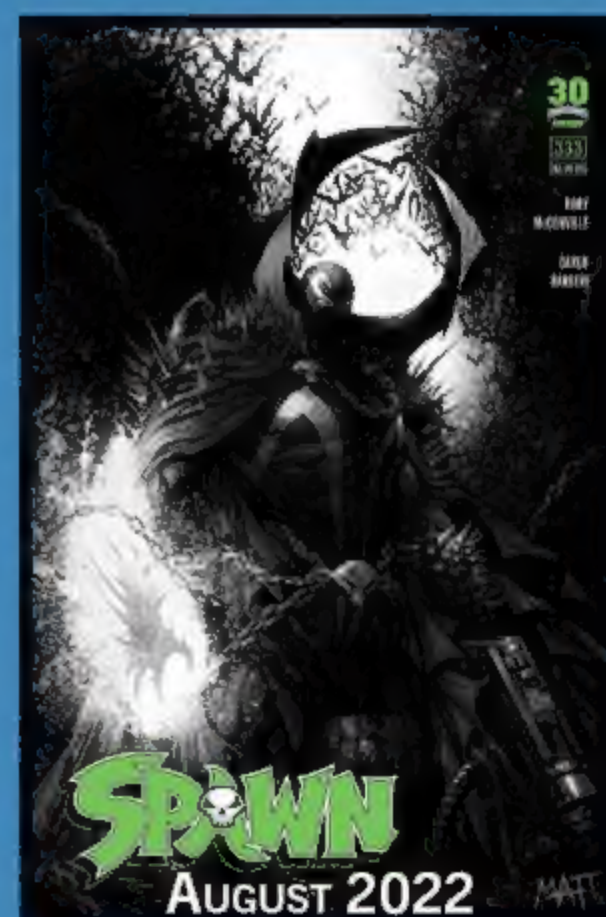
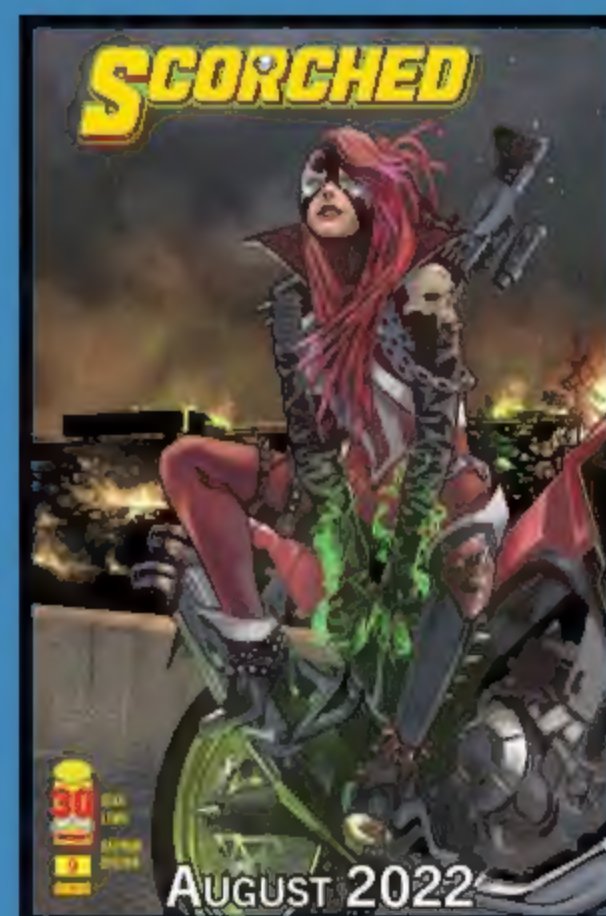
**DON'T MISS THESE TITLES:**

**SPAWN**

**KING  
SPAWN**

**SCORCHED**

**GUNSLINGER**  
**S P A W N**



**ONGOING NOW!**



**VELVET** DEADLY CLASS *ROYAL CITY*  
*LAZARUS* **EAST OF WEST** I KILL GIANTS  
**THE WALKING DEAD** I HATE FAIRYLAND  
KING CITY **SEX CRIMINALS**  
KILL OR BE KILLED **CURSE WORDS** **RATQUEENS**  
SOUTHERN BASTARDS **SPAWN** THE WICKED + THE DIVINE **BLUE MONDAY**  
**MONSTRESS CHEW** *KINGSMAN*  
*NOWHERE MEN*  
**HOWTOONS** THEY'RE NOT LIKE US **SUNSTONE** SEVEN TO ETERNITY  
**DESCENDER** **PAPER GIRLS**  
**OCTOPUS PIE** WYTCHEs SHUTTER  
TOKYO GHOST THE BLACK MONDAY MURDERS **BITCH PLANET**  
*MOTOR CRUSH* **WAYWARD** *TREES*  
**SAGA** THE AUTUMNLANDS  
CRIMINAL **LOW**  
**PLUTONA** *REVIVAL* **NAILBITER**  
**CAMP MIDNIGHT**  
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